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In Re the Application of:

MITCHELL

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For: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ERECTING WALL PANELS"

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Dear Sir:

In an Office Action dated April 8, 2003 (Paper No. 15), the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement with regard to the above-identified patent application. Generally, the Examiner indicated that Group I (Claims 53-55, 90-103) and Group II (Claims 56-89) were distinct inventions. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group II (Claims 56-89) in this patent application. However, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue Claims Group I (Claims 53-55, 90-103) in a subsequent divisional/continuation application.

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